

GRANT ROAD Improvement Plan



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Legal Action Report Grant Road Corridor Planning Task Force

Monday, December 7, 2009 5:30 p.m.

The Executive Inn & Suites 333 W. Drachman Tucson, AZ 85705

- 1. Call to order, and confirm quorum. **Quorum established, no action taken**.
- 2. Introductions & Agenda Overview, no action taken.
- 3. First Call to Audience

A letter from Ruth Stokes sent to Ward 3 regarding adding right turn lanes on Mountain Ave. and Grant Road as part of the Grant Road Improvement Plan was read to the Task Force during the first call to audience. **Discussion was held, the Task Force directed Melissa Antol to respond to the letter on behalf of the project and the Department of Transportation.**

- 4. Approval of the August 21st Meeting Summary. **Task Force approves**.
- 5. Progress Update, no action taken.
- 6. Mobility, Access, & Streetscape Workshop Summary
 Discussion held, the Task Force endorses the planning team's summary
 of the Mobility Access, and Streetscape workshops for posting to the
 project website. The Task Force endorses the team to perform follow-up
 actions necessary to address comments received at the Mobility, Access
 and Streetscape workshops.
- 7. Preliminary Roadway Design Update **Discussion held**.
 - Task Force directs the planning team to draft a "white paper" to scope the feasibility of undergrounding utilities which should include: Arizona Corporation Commission rules for payment, current & projected capital and operating costs for underground utilities, funding sources, schedule, a summary of the history of the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) position including how

This is a project of the Regional Transportation Authority,

The voter-approved, \$2.1 billion RTA plan will be implemented through 2026. Details about the full plan are available at www.RTAmobility.com.

The Regional Transportation Authority has a nine-member board with representatives from local, state and tribal governments.

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- the RTA came to its current policy position on undergrounding utilities, and the impact of current City of Tucson budget cuts.
- The Task Force directs the planning team to investigate and report on how the Task Force can provide information/comments to the RTA and how the Task Force formally raise a concern and suggest a change in RTA policy. The Task Force directed the planning team to report back on this at the December 16th meeting.
- Task Force directs the planning team to develop a view of Grant Road from a bicyclist's perspective that would show the design planned for the new roadway. The suggestion was made to hold bicycle tour down Grant Road with the 15% design plans.
- Task Force directs the planning team to develop a view of Grant Road from a business perspective that would show the design planned for the new roadway with business signage & access (planning team responds that this will be developed in future plans.)
- 8. Early Intersection Project (EIP) Update
 Discussion held, the Task Force endorses the Early Intersection Project
 scoping and schedule. Task Force endorses the Early Intersection Project
 public involvement and roll-out.
- 9. Reconstruction Phasing Sequence Preview
 Discussion held, the Task Force endorses the planning team's proposed approach to reconstruction sequencing, project definitions and project delivery. Task Force directs the team to proceed with their approach.
- 10. Community Character & Vitality Workshop Preview

 Discussion held, the Task Force endorses the Community, Character and Vitality workshop format and number of workshops.
- 11. Next Steps, no action taken.
- 12. Second Call to Audience. No members of the public addressed the Task Force, **no action taken**.
- 13. Task Force Round Table

 Discussion held, no action taken.
- 14. Adjourn **8:30 p.m.**